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Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council	Item ID	31182	Agenda Number	62.
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Meeting Date:	3/20/2014	Department:	Planning and Development Review
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Subject

Approve second and third readings of an ordinance amending City Code Title 25 to amend the occupancy limit for unrelated individuals in single-family zoned property. THE PUBLIC HEARING FOR THIS ITEM WAS HELD AND CLOSED ON FEBRUARY 13, 2014.

Amount and Source of Funding

Fiscal Note

Purchasing Language:

Prior Council Action:

February 13, 2014 – City Council approved first reading only.
August 8, 2013 – Council approved a resolution initiating amendments to the City Code relating to dwelling unit occupancy limits.

For More Information:

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Boards and Commission Action:

January 28, 2014 – Approved by the Planning Commission on a 7-0 vote with Commissioner Roark off the dais and Commissioner Nortey absent.

MBE / WBE:

Related Items:

Additional Backup Information

On November 21, 2013, the City Council directed the City Manager, in Resolution No. 20131121-053, to work on a code amendment examining a possible reduction in occupancy for unrelated individuals. This Council Resolution was in response to concerns about over-occupancy in single-family zoned neighborhoods, where “stealth dorms” have caused code compliance issues. Specifically, the Council Resolution states:

“...initiates a code amendment related to dwelling unit occupancy that will set the maximum number of unrelated adults who may reside in structures allowed on single-family zoned property at four and directs the City Manager to process the code amendment and bring it to Council on or before January 30, 2014. The Planning Commission may elect to recommend a different maximum; it may also recommend that the code amendment be limited to some parts of the city, or be offered as a tool available to Neighborhood Planning Teams, rather than as a provision that applies to the entire city.”